In the Claims

Please amend Claims 1-2 and 11-12 as follows:

1. (currently amended) A notebook computer protection device, comprising:

a reinforced body member having a sleeve adapted to both receive and secure a notebook computer therewithin, the body member having at least one opening permitting access to a lateral portion of the received notebook computer while secured therewithin without manipulating the body member.

- 2. (currently amended) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member has a plurality of openings permitting access to a plurality of lateral portions of the notebook computer while secured therewithin without manipulating the body member.
- 3. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 2 wherein the body member has a plurality of extensions defining the openings therebetween.
- 4. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member has a port coupled to the sleeve and is adapted to receive the notebook computer and also to permit retrieval therethrough.
- 5. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 4 further comprising a retractable handle disposed across the port and adapted to permit manipulation of the body member when the notebook computer is received therein.
- 6. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 5 wherein the handle is pivotably retractable.
- 7. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 5 wherein the handle curves outwardly from the body member.

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- 8. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member further includes a security device adapted to provide an alert when the notebook computer is removed from the body member.
- 9. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member is comprised of a translucent material permitting a visual inspection of substantially all of the notebook computer when received therewithin.
- 10. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member further comprises a resilient member disposed proximate the sleeve and adapted to securely cushion the notebook computer when received therewithin.
 - 11. (currently amended) In combination:

a notebook computer; and

a reinforced body member having a sleeve adapted to both receive and secure a notebook computer therewithin, the body member having at least one opening permitting access to a lateral portion of the received notebook computer while secured therewithin <u>without manipulating the</u> body member.

- 12. (currently amended) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member has a plurality of openings permitting access to a plurality of lateral portions of the notebook computer while secured therewithin without manipulating the body member.
- 13. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 12 wherein the body member has a plurality of extensions defining the opening therebetween.
- 14. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member has a port coupled to the sleeve and is adapted to receive the notebook computer and also to permit retrieval therethrough.

- 15. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 14 further comprising a retractable handle disposed across the port and adapted to permit manipulation of the body member when the notebook computer is received therein.
- 16. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 15 wherein the handle is pivotably retractable.
- 17. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 15 wherein the handle curves outwardly from the body member.
- 18. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member further includes a security device adapted to provide an alert when the notebook computer is removed from the body member.
- 19. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member is comprised of a translucent material permitting a visual inspection of substantially all of the notebook computer when received therewithin.
- 20. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member further comprises a resilient member disposed proximate the sleeve and adapted to securely cushion the notebook computer when received therewithin.